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OHIO

WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 48.7 degrees, 7.5 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, November 21. Precipitation averaged 0.97 inches, 0.34 inches above normal. Growing degree days were 6 points above normal.

Reporters rated 3.0 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, November 19. This is 0.2 days below last year. Topsoil moisture was rated 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 36 percent surplus.

Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 st week of April
2004	3.0	5.0	144.5
2003	3.2	4.1	132.5
1999-2003 Average	NA	4.9	NA

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	0	0	64	36
Last Week	0	1	82	17
Same Week Last Year	0	0	52	48
1999-2003 Average	NA	NA	NA	NA

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22

Reporters estimate 90 percent of **Corn** for grain has been harvested. This is one day behind last year and five days behind the five-year average. Farmers have 95 percent of **Soybeans** harvested. This is about 13 days behind 2003 and 13 days behind the 1999-2003 average.

2004 CROP SUMMARY

Ohio's **Corn** crop was 98 percent planted on June 13, compared to 96 percent in 2003 and 98 percent for the five-year average. Virtually all corn was emerged by June 20, which was seven days ahead of last year and five days ahead

of the 1999-2003 average. Farmers began harvesting corn silage at the end of August and 97 percent was harvested by the end of October. This was three percentage points behind both 2003 and the five-year average. One percent of corn was harvested for grain on September 19. The same as last year but four days behind the 1999-2003 average. Ninety percent of corn was harvested by November 21.

Soybeans producers had 1 percent planted on April 18 and 95 percent planted by June 27. This was about two days ahead of 2003, but four days behind the five-year average. Ninety-nine percent of soybeans was emerged by July 11. This was slightly behind last year and the 1999-2003 average. The soybean harvest was one percent complete on September 12. Farmers had 95 percent of soybeans harvested by November 21.

Winter wheat was one percent jointed on March 28, the same as 2003 and ahead of the five-year average. Farmers began harvesting winter wheat around the first of July and were 97 percent complete by the 18th of July. The 2005 winter wheat crop was 5 percent planted by September 26 and was completed by November 14.

Alfalfa hay first cutting was 6 percent complete on May 23, compared to 10 percent last year and 17 percent for the 1999-2003 average. Ninety-nine percent was baled by July 11, slightly behind 2003 but the same as the five-year average. The second cutting began on June 20 and was completed on August 29. The third cutting began July 18 and was 95 percent complete on September 26. The fourth cutting of alfalfa began on August 22 and was 95 percent complete on November 14. **Other hay** first cutting was 2 percent complete on May 23, behind both last year and the five-year average. The first cutting was 95 percent complete on July 11, compared to 90 percent in 2003 and 96 percent for the 1999-2003 average. The second cutting was 3 percent complete on June 27 and 95 percent complete on September 12. The third cutting was 1 percent complete July 18 and was 96 percent complete on October 31.

Oats were two percent planted on April 4, four days behind last year and two weeks behind the five-year average. Ninety-five percent of oats was planted by May 23, this was almost three weeks behind 2003 and 10 days behind the 1999-2003 average. Oats were 97 percent emerged on June 6, this was almost three weeks behind last year and 12 days behind the five-year average. The oat harvest was 2 percent complete on July 11, compared to one percent last year and four percent for the five-year average. The oat harvest concluded on September 5.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21

Crop	2004	2003	1999-03 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Corn harvested for grain	90	91	94	88	86
Soybeans harvested	95	100	99	92	93

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PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 21

WINTER WHEAT	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	0	1	17	60	22
Previous Week	1	1	16	57	25
Previous Year	1	3	17	59	20

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ^{1/}			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	47.7	7.8	1.06	0.48	28.87	3.63	16	4	3158	3
North Central	48.6	8.3	0.98	0.39	30.77	4.63	17	5	3119	10
Northeast	47.4	7.4	0.61	-0.05	34.93	6.84	16	4	2879	-55
West Central	49.5	8.6	0.89	0.28	29.37	2.42	25	10	3379	72
Central	49.5	8.2	1.02	0.39	34.88	7.41	27	11	3457	106
Central Hills	48.1	7.8	0.99	0.39	37.84	10.19	18	4	3092	-3
Northeast Hills	46.7	5.8	0.79	0.19	39.94	12.42	13	-3	3100	-47
Southwest	50.6	7.9	0.88	0.17	30.26	1.53	29	10	3603	90
South Central	49.7	6.4	1.23	0.57	38.49	11.12	30	6	3750	165
Southeast	48.6	6.8	1.14	0.48	38.83	11.17	24	5	3441	87
STATE	48.7	7.5	0.97	0.34	34.29	7.01	22	6	3322	49

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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